

REMARKS

Claims 41 – 48 are added to claim an apparatus for forming a fusing structure to implement redundancy circuits within integrated circuits.

Allowance of all Claims is requested.

5 It is requested that should the Examiner not find that the Claims are now allowable, that the undersigned be called at (845) 452-5863 to overcome any problems preventing allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Enclosures:

PLEASE AMEND THE SPECIFICATION AS FOLLOWS:

After the title, insert -- This is a division of Patent Application serial number 09/859,300, filing date 5/18/01, A New Redundancy Structure In Self-Aligned Contact Process, which is a division of attorney docket TS98-528, serial number 09/329,783, filing date 6/10/99, now issued as US Patent Number 6,319,758 assigned to the same assignee as the present invention.

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A reference to the parent case has been added by Preliminary Amendment to this Divisional Patent Application.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Allowance of the subject Patent Application is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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